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George Platt, Treasurer
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Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/1/00-6/30/00)

Dear Mr. Platt:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Please clarify all expenditures made for Media on Schedule(s) H4. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B or F supporting Lines 23 or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-Your EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE calculations for Administrative/Voter Drive, A021 and A022 are incorrect. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for administrative and voter drive costs are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year for the whole Administrative/Voter Drive category. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for fundraising, direct candidate support, and exempt activities are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year within a specific event. These should be calculated by adding the latest disbursement for a category or event to the previous EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total for that category or event. This running EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE total should be disclosed after each disbursement is listed. Please amend your report by providing the correct EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals.

-Schedule H2 of your report indicates that your committee participated in fundraising and exempt activities or events during the reporting period.

However, there are no corresponding disbursements reflected on your Schedule H4. Note that you need not include activities on Schedule H2 if there are no corresponding payments made for the activity during the reporting period. If any disbursements were incorrectly reported, you should file an amended Schedule H4 with the correct unique identifying code or title, or provide clarifying information regarding the activities on Schedule H2.

-Payments made to credit card companies must identify the original vendors from which you have purchased an item or service if your payments to those vendors have exceeded \$200 this year. Please amend your report by providing the mailing address, date, amount and purpose of such payments as required by 11 CFR §104.9(b).

-Your report includes computer produced formats of the Schedules H3 and H4. Computer produced formats may only be used upon prior approval of the Commission. You should submit a separate sample format with a cover letter requesting approval. Until your format has been approved, FEC forms must be used. 11 CFR §104.2(d)

If the software your committee is using to produce the Schedules of the FEC FORM 3X does not allow you to electronically file your report, you may want to call the vendor who produced your software to inquire about the availability of a software upgrade that includes electronic filing. A number of commercial software companies have added electronic filing capability to their products. A list of these companies is available on the FEC web site, <http://www.fec.gov>.

Alternatively, freeware (FECfile) available from the FEC, can help you complete and file your reports electronically. It installs easily, computerizes every schedule in the FEC FORM 3X, contains features to help you avoid common errors, allows you to file electronically, and has free technical support for your questions. You may obtain your free copy by downloading FECfile from our web site, <http://www.fec.gov>, or by calling the Electronic Filing Office at (202) 694-1307.

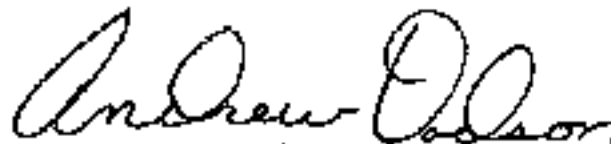
A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports

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Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrew Dodson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Andrew J. Dodson
Acting Assistant Branch Chief,
Party/Non-Party Branch
Reports Analysis Division

